

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-3 (canceled).

Claim 4 (previously added). A tobacco substitute composition comprising 80-90 weight percent of *Eucommia ulmoides*, 1-10 weight percent of *Glycyrrhiza glabra*, and 1-10 weight percent of *Perilla frutescens*.

Claim 5 (currently amended). The composition of claim 4, further comprising glycerol.

Claim 6 (currently amended). The composition of claim 4, further comprising peppermint oil.

Claim 7 (canceled).

Claim 8 (previously added). A nicotine-free tobacco substitute composition comprising
80-90 weight percent of *Eucommia ulmoides*;
1-10 weight percent *Glycyrrhiza glabra*; and
1-10 weight percent of *Perilla frutescens*.

Claim 9 (previously added). The composition of claim 8, comprising
87 weight percent *Eucommia ulmoides*;
5 weight percent *Glycyrrhiza glabra*; and
5 weight percent *Perilla frutescens*.

Claim 10 (previously added). The composition of claim 8, further comprising a flavorant.

Claim 11 (previously added). The composition of claim 10, wherein the flavorant is glycerol.

Claim 12 (previously added). The composition of claim 10, wherein the flavorant is peppermint oil.

Claims 13-22 (canceled).